



Wards overflow as MDs give 'best care'

By MARGERY GREENFELD
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Pressure on hospital emergency wards throughout the country was very heavy yesterday. In several hospitals, wards passed the overflow point as the doctors began to implement their "best possible care" plan, which calls for thorough examinations, extensive tests and hospitalizations whenever this is deemed "medically necessary."

Simultaneously, 20 doctors at Soroka Hospital in Beersheba yesterday began an "open-ended" hunger strike to express their dissatisfaction with the government's handling of the 106-day-old strike. Similar action is being discussed at several other hospitals.

While most hospital directors and health officials agreed that the situation "had not yet reached the critical point," they warned that a continuation of the action would strain the country's medical system to the breaking point "within the next few days."

The Health Ministry decided yesterday to "wait for a clearer picture to develop" before issuing official guidelines to hospital directors on how to deal with the situation. But it is known that the ministry has prepared instructions, including a requirement that hospital directors report to the ministry daily on the number of hospitalized patients and the reasons for their hospitalization. Another alternative being con-

sidered is urging hospital directors to personally discharge patients. This could lead to confrontations between the directors and their staff.

The doctors' plan will be in effect for 10 days, barring any turnaround in the stalled negotiations, the Israel Medical Association said yesterday. After that, a "new and more extreme" stage will start. There was little reason to hope for a thaw in the two-week freeze in the wage talks after yesterday's fruitless meeting of the Knesset Labour and Social Affairs Committee. Although chairman Menahem Porush managed to gather representatives of all sides in the same room for the first time in weeks, the often stormy two-hour meeting ended with no sign that the sides were getting any closer to a compromise.

Finance Ministry Director-General Ezra Sadan, who made his first appearance before the committee, read out a prepared statement stressing that the ministry was exercising its rightful authority and carrying out government policy in its conduct of the negotiations.

But JMA representatives Dr. Ram Ishai and Dr. Shmuel Freidman and its legal adviser Simha Keisman, told the committee that the problem can be solved only by removing the Finance Ministry from the picture and turning the dispute over to an agreed arbitrator.

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B'sheba doctors stop eating

By LIORA MORIEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — Nearly 20 doctors at Soroka hospital here, most of them from the urology department, went on a hunger strike yesterday morning.

Wearing signs saying "I am on a hunger strike, Day 1," they performed their normal duties during the day. But later they gathered around a large strike placard near the hospital's emergency room. They will remain in the hospital area until they end their hunger strike, they said.

Dr. Naftali Shani, interim head of Soroka for the duration of the strike, said that the fasting doctors may soon be unable to perform their normal duties and whole departments may have to close.

Professor Igor Sover, head of the

urology department, who thought of the hunger strike, proposed the hunger strike at the doctors' routine daily meeting yesterday morning. Nearly 30 doctors indicated their willingness to go on a hunger strike to protest against what they called the government's mishandling of their 106-day-old nationwide doctors' strike.

Sover said he is worried that if the strike ends in the doctors' defeat, there will be many under-the-table deals between doctors and patients. To avoid this, he said, the government should enact a law forbidding doctors to strike, and ending the linkage of their wages to those of other professions.

A group of doctors at the Rebecca Sieff government hospital in Safad also began a hunger strike yesterday.

None hurt in explosion of bomb in South Lebanon

Jerusalem Post Staff

An explosive device was triggered by remote control as an Israeli Defence Forces convoy was travelling three kilometres north of the Litani River yesterday morning. The blast caused neither casualties nor damage. Passengers in the convoy opened fire and then searched the area, finding two grenades and Kalashnikov rifle ammunition.

The search continued yesterday in the village of Dir Kanun near Tyre for suspects in the killing of three Israeli soldiers last weekend. IDF sources said the killings were carried out by local residents.

Two residents of the Ein Hilwe refugee camp in Sidon were killed on Monday night when grenades were thrown at their car. A third passenger was wounded.

IDF investigators said the incident had to do with a "settling of accounts." They said that the grenades were aimed at only one of the passengers.

There were also two attacks on Israeli soldiers in Sidon. No one was hurt.

At 10.45 a.m. yesterday, shots were fired from a Mercedes-car at the Military Police building. No one was hurt. The car got away. Roadblocks were erected and searches conducted in the area.

Around noon, a grenade was thrown at a convoy of tank transporters at the southern approaches of this town. There were no injuries and no damage.

Exchanges of fire between Druse and Christian militias continued in the Shouf Mountains yesterday.

The fighting started around noon with firing between the villages of Elitar and Suk al-Arab, and spread to other villages. Weapons used included light arms and rocket-propelled grenades.

IDF officers tried to persuade notables from both camps to cease fire, but the fighting stopped only after tank reinforcements were sent in.



Hundreds of nurses demonstrate outside Histadrut headquarters in Tel Aviv yesterday. See story — Page 2. (Rivka Finder)

Epithets in Knesset defence body

Post Knesset Correspondent

Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir said yesterday that "the smears hurled by the Alignment against the government are weakening Israel's ability to stand firm against pressure."

At a noisy session of the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, Shamir said: "Your mudslinging is intolerable. We know what they are saying in Syria and the other Arab states about your criticism. They believe that Israel will soon crumble and collapse. They believe that we will soon evacuate our troops from Lebanon without waiting for an agreement to be negotiated. So they ask themselves whether there is any point in discussing an agreement."

Shamir said the opposition was hurling criticism at the government because of problems in Lebanon, after realizing that it was useless to attack the government on general

grounds since Israel's international standing had improved of late.

(The Alignment plans to raise its demand today for the appointment of an inquiry commission into the government's conduct of the war, Israel radio reported last night.)

Mapam leader Victor Shemtov stalked angrily out of the meeting when Shamir scornfully spurned his call to take back his charges of last week that "Israel's casualties in Lebanon are the result of the Alignment's call for a unilateral withdrawal."

Shamir, refusing to retract, said: "I'm pleased that I shocked you. I hope you will now understand where you are dragging us all. I'm glad about what I said. Your behaviour does not surprise me in the least."

Before leaving the room Shemtov said: "What you are saying is verbal hooliganism. You have thrown a

bombshell of incitement against the opposition in order to stifle criticism of the government for its debacle in the Lebanon war."

He continued: "Three of your coalition ministers demanded a unilateral withdrawal in Lebanon, not just the Alignment. Social Affairs Minister Aharon Uzan, and Ministers without Portfolio Ariel Sharon and Mordechai Ben-Porat, have all gone on record as demanding the same withdrawal. Are you suggesting that the Syrians don't listen to those ministers' statements?"

After Shemtov left, Labour chairman Shimon Peres took up the criticism of the foreign minister. He asked: "Are your own hands so

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U.S. ready to revive memo of understanding when Israel is

By WOLF BLITZER
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WASHINGTON. — Secretary of Defence Casper Weinberger yesterday said the Reagan administration is prepared to revive the U.S.-Israeli memorandum of understanding on strategic cooperation whenever the Israeli government is ready to do so.

Answering questions at a National Press Club luncheon, Weinberger also said the Israel Air Force probably has the capability to knock out the recently deployed Soviet SA-5 surface-to-air missiles in Syria. At the same time, however, Weinberger expressed the hope that Israel will not have to do so and that Syria will agree to remove its forces from Lebanon together with Israel.

The memorandum of understanding was suspended following

the Knesset's enactment of the Golan Heights Law in December 1981 — only a few weeks after Weinberger signed the memorandum with then-defence minister Ariel Sharon.

Weinberger went out of his way yesterday to point out that the memorandum was designed to deter further Soviet advances in the Middle East and that other "moderate Arab states" are welcome to cooperate with it. "The renewal of the agreement could take place at any time, depending on the wishes of the Israeli government," he said.

Authoritative Israeli sources have said in recent days that Defence Minister Moshe Arens has no great desire to revive the formal pact with the U.S., although Israel wishes to implement many aspects of the memorandum informally.

Ehrlich in hospital intensive-care ward

Deputy Prime Minister Simha Ehrlich was hospitalized in Jerusalem yesterday afternoon, after suffering what was apparently a stroke.

Ehrlich had felt unwell earlier, during lunch with Liberal Knesset Member Ariel Weinstein. He was taken by Weinstein to a Magen David Adom station, and was then driven by ambulance to the Bikur Holim hospital. Several months ago, he underwent open-heart surgery in the U.S., receiving five arterial bypasses. He had complained of cardiac insufficiency for a long time.

Last night, Ehrlich was in Bikur

Holim's intensive-care ward. Hospital director Dr. Shlomo Stern said his condition was satisfactory.

According to Dr. Stern, Ehrlich was fully conscious, and would be in hospital for a few days at least.

During Ehrlich's confinement in hospital, the tense relations between his Liberal cabinet colleagues are expected to become more, rather than less, prominent. This, political observers say, could prove embarrassing to Prime Minister Menachem Begin.

Earlier yesterday, Ehrlich met former defence minister Ezer Weizman in the Knesset.

Israel consults with U.S. on pullback ideas

Jerusalem Post Staff

Israel is initiating discussions with administration figures in Washington aimed at achieving coordination between the two countries on Israel's military redeployment in Lebanon and agreement regarding the entry of other forces into areas that will be evacuated.

In addition, the U.S. is continuing its intensive diplomatic efforts, both in Syria, through its embassy there, and in other Arab capitals, informed sources reported. The activity is aimed at pushing Syria to open negotiations with Lebanon and at examining all possibilities for bringing about the withdrawal of that country's forces by diplomatic agreement.

Foreign Ministry Director-General David Kimche's visit in Washington is being defined as consisting of "working conversations" on subjects concerning bilateral relations. Diplomatic observers in Jerusalem, however, said last night that Kimche is initiating contacts towards an agreement that would be acceptable to both the U.S. and Lebanon under which the Israel Defence Forces would be moved back.

Israel has said several times recently that it will not pull back without prior coordination with the U.S. and Lebanon, and that it intends to place any redeployment

within the framework of last month's agreement between Israel and Lebanon.

Informed sources also reported that U.S. administration figures have begun to express doubts about their earlier estimation that the Syrians would be willing to open negotiations with Lebanon towards an agreement that would include withdrawal. Nevertheless, the Americans are not abandoning their pursuit of all diplomatic avenues to nudge Damascus to the conference table.

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Syrian foreign minister invited to visit U.S.

DAMASCUS (AP). — U.S. sources confirmed yesterday that Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul-Halim Khaddam had been invited to visit the U.S. and they said Syria was still interested in a "dialogue."

The sources said that the invitation was extended during U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz's visit to Damascus last month, after the Lebanese-Israeli agreement on the withdrawal of Israeli troops from Lebanon was concluded.

The sources indicated Khaddam had not refused the invitation although no date was set for a visit.

There was no confirmation of the reported invitation from the Syrian government.

Lebanon endorses Israel pact by 64-2 vote

Post Middle East Reporter
and agencies

The Lebanese parliament yesterday endorsed the troop-withdrawal agreement with Israel by a 64-2 majority, with four abstentions.

The vote defied a Syrian warning that any move to ratify the agreement was illegal and would not alter Syria's opposition to the agreement. The warning appeared in yesterday's edition of the government daily *al-Baath*.

Syria has made it plain ever since Lebanon and Israel began to negotiate the agreement last December that it will not withdraw its 40,000 troops from northern and

eastern Lebanon if Israel gains any advantage as a result of last summer's invasion.

It has reiterated on several occasions since the agreement was signed last month that the pact is not acceptable, and that it will not withdraw its troops until Israel leaves Lebanon "unconditionally."

Yesterday's vote appeared to indicate that Lebanon is prepared to go to the brink with Syria, in the hope that U.S. pressure and Arab opinion will in due course induce the Syrians to leave Lebanon.

To date, however, intensive Lebanese and U.S. efforts to bring Arab pressure to bear on Damascus have met with very limited success. Only Egypt, Oman and Sudan have

supported the agreement.

Libya, Iraq, Kuwait and North and South Yemen have rejected it. The rest of the Arab world has followed Saudi Arabia's lead in linking a Syrian withdrawal from Lebanon to a general Arab peace initiative designed to secure Israel's withdrawal from all territories taken in 1967.

The vote followed two days of intensive debate in the heavily guarded Villa Mansour parliament building. Only 70 members of the 99-member single-chamber parliament took part in the vote. Of the rest, several have died since the parliament was last elected in 1972, and others apparently chose to stay away.

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Waste-disposal experts hard-pressed

The Ramat Hovav toxic waste disposal site south of Beersheba is fenced off and the gate is locked. A young Beduin guard, resting not far off, ambles towards us. He has no key (after all, it is now illegal to enter and dump), but it is easy to wriggle inside through a hole

in the fence. A sign on the fence gives the site's opening hours. It is freshly painted. There is also a sign indicating the presence of poisons.

The offices are a shambles. Two sludge pools are full and barrels float in the sludge. Among the other objects strewn about the nation's only toxic-waste disposal site: discarded medicines and old plastic mattresses; rusting barrels of cyanide; old cadmium batteries; and unlabelled containers, presumably of poisons, giving off sinister hissing sounds.

The smell in the air is acrid, nearly overwhelming. Fortunately, cyanides have not yet seeped into the acid oil sludge, or the smell would be far worse.

The guards refuse to enter the site because of the gurgling barrels. But Ramat Hovav, which has a water pipe, is attractive to Beduin shepherds in the area, who would rather not carry water supplies with them. They walk barefoot or in sandals through the toxic site, unaware of the dangers.

In spite of this, it is difficult to drum up much interest about the disposal of toxic wastes in Israel.

Where the Poison Goes:

The fifth in a series of articles on the disposal of toxic wastes in Israel.

Many people, including professionals, seem to believe that this country's toxic-waste problem is not serious by international standards.

Motti Fleischer, district public health engineer of the central region, told *The Jerusalem Post* that what are designated as "toxic" wastes in Israel are often not considered toxic in other countries. "Most of the materials we have to deal with are simply untreatable or offensive. I won't say the situation in Israel is ideal, but there is no cause for panic. We're not Pittsburgh, after all."

When we called the Israel Defence Forces spokesman to ask how the IDF was disposing of its toxic wastes now that the Ramat Hovav site is closed, the response was: "Like everybody else." We asked for a more detailed reply, but still were told brusquely: "There's a

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SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Speaker Menachem Begin yesterday received the former prime minister of Australia, Malcolm Fraser. Mr. Fraser, yesterday visited the Weizmann Institute of Science as guest of its president and Mrs. Michael Sela. A festive luncheon took place at the home of Prof. and Mrs. Sela in honour of Mr. Fraser and to mark the establishment of the J. Malcolm Fraser Chair in Medical Biology, established by friends of the Australian Association for the Advancement of Science. Participating in the luncheon were, among others, the Australian Ambassador and Mrs. David Goss.

ARRIVALS

20A leaders attending the Zionist General Council, Jewish Agency, Alick A. Resnick, newly elected President, Ivan J. Novak, Chairman of the Board, Bernard S. White, National Treasurer, Robert D. Shapiro, Vice Chairman, National Executive Committee, Herschel Auerbach, Chairman, National Public Affairs Committee.

Mr. Irving Kessler, executive vice-chairman of the United Israel Appeal, to attend meetings of the Jewish Agency Assembly.

Mrs. A. Small, National President, Hadassah-Wizo Organization of Canada, to attend Jewish Agency meetings.

DEPARTURES

Haifa Mayor Arye Gur-Eli for Stockholm to attend the general meeting of the International Union of Local Authorities as Israel's representative.

Sharon visits Paris as guest of local Herut

PARIS (AFP). — Minister without Portfolio Ariel Sharon arrived in Paris yesterday for a three-day visit as guest of the French branch of the Herut Party.

Mekor Baruch group to fight 'harassment'

By MICHAEL ELIAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Neighbourhood activists from Jerusalem's Mekor Baruch quarter last night launched what they called a city-wide campaign to stop harassment by some Orthodox neighbours.

The call for a campaign against "ultra-Orthodox encroachment" came less than a day after a tear-gas canister was thrown at the home of

HOME AND WORLD NEWS

Ne'eman warns House of engineer shortage

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN
Post Knesset Reporter

Minister of Science and Research Yuval Ne'eman told the Knesset yesterday that the country is expected to be short of 5,000 engineers and 8,000 engineering technicians by 1992.

Presenting his first report of the ministry's activities, Professor Ne'eman said that this shortage could seriously hamper plans to expand and develop science-rich industries.

He said that in some of the main areas on which science-rich industry is based, such as computer science and electronics, there is a shortage of teachers in the Technion, which has difficulty in filling even approved job-slots.

Referring to the planned model "science city" at Ariel, in Samaria, Ne'eman said this would be the first of four such cities. The others are to be in Katzin, Kiryat Arba, and Arad.

He denied that this was at the expense of a science region in Galilee.

saying that he supports the plan for developing such a region around Carmel.

In the debate, Shevah Weiss said that the ministry should concentrate on coordinating all scientific activity in Israel — which is conducted in the universities, by various ministries, and the Defence Establishment — and give some direction to such activity.

Weiss said that of the 14 points that Ne'eman had emphasized, eight involved Judea/Samaria or the Golan Heights. He said that the minister (who represents Tehiya) was harnessing his ministry to goals over which there is a sharp debate in the country.

Imri Ron (Alignment-Mapam) said that "the combination of hawkish extremism and 'science' is extremely dangerous. He charged Ne'eman of pushing, with the help of Energy Minister Yitzhak Moda'i, plans that are "crazy" politically and economically, such as the Mediterranean-Dead Sea canal. Ne'eman will reply at a later date.

\$500 monthly grants to young scientists

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The electronics and computer industries are establishing a \$500,000 fund to provide \$500-a-month research stipends to 60 to 80 young scientists who agree to teach in universities.

The stipends will supplement the regular academic salary.

Technion president Professor Yosef Singer announced the scheme to the press yesterday, also giving details of next week's annual meeting of the Technion's board of governors.

The board meeting will be at-

tended by 150 members and observers from 11 countries and 160 members of overseas Technion societies.

Singer noted that instead of increasing funding for higher education, the government is cutting it from 7 per cent of its own budget (excluding defence and debt servicing) in 1974 to only 4.4 per cent this year, even though the number of students has increased by 30 per cent.

The government is decreasing its share of the Technion budget for the next school year by 1 per cent, to only 65.5 per cent, he added.

Nurses protest against drop in wages

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Dozens of white-uniformed nurses burst into a meeting of Histadrut trade-union department leaders at noon yesterday to protest against a drop in wages.

Their action followed a demonstration by hundreds of nurses on the lawn outside Histadrut headquarters here.

A heavy-set Histadrut secretary tried to stop the nurses from entering the conference room, but Ilana Cohen of the Assaf Harofeh hospital forced her way in and the

other nurses followed.

Ruth Gabai of Beilinson Hospital told The Jerusalem Post that senior nurses' basic wages had dropped by between 7.5 and 25 per cent since the special allowance they received was abolished. Last month she netted \$25,000, she said, acknowledging that even that was more than some doctors' pay.

Union secretary Moriah Galili said that the special increment to senior nurses had been sacrificed only temporarily, adding that the union is now demanding that it be reinstated.

May index out today—6% rise expected

Post Economic Reporter

The "Consumer Price Index" for May, due to be announced today, is expected by economic observers to be about six per cent higher than last month's index.

The Treasury was hoping that the index would rise by less than 5 per cent, which would enable it to claim that its economic policies are bringing the pace of price increases.

May is traditionally a month of low price increases, due to the absence of seasonal factors that push up the rate of measured inflation.

The index increase in May 1981 was 3.3 per cent, reflecting the policies of Finance Minister Yoram Aridor during the election campaign.

In May 1982 the index rose by 6.2 per cent.

Kenya bars planes bound for S. Africa

NAIROBI (Reuters). — Kenyan authorities have imposed an informal ban on passenger travel between South Africa and Kenya, Western diplomats said here yesterday.

An undetermined number of passengers from Johannesburg — foreign residents of South Africa and tourists from various countries — have been barred from entering Kenya and forced to re-embark for other destinations over the past few

days, they said.

El Al has advised Kenya-bound passengers of the ban, an El Al official said last night.

Kenya permits technical landing for flights between Johannesburg and Tel Aviv, so El Al planes may touch down for refuelling. The Kenyan decision is believed to have been taken in retaliation for the hanging of three Black African National Congress members in South Africa last week.

Police were out in force near the

centre, as some expected a clash between Tzelem supporters, many of them wearing skull-caps, and the ultra-Orthodox. Tzelem leaders told the crowd they could not use the centre because of "massive pressure from the police and its establishment," and the crowd trooped to the third floor of the nearby Ezra Sofer synagogue.

Tzelem chairman Eitan Budkov told the crowd that he had to call off the meeting in the community centre because "police said they couldn't defend us" from the ultra-Orthodox if the meeting was held as scheduled. At least 20 persons then tried to move back to the centre, but Tzelem leaders persuaded them to disperse.

Later Budkov said he was tremendously encouraged by the turnout "because usually nothing can move these people." He and the four other members of the Tzelem leadership plan to get in touch with activists from five other Jerusalem neighbourhoods that he said suffer from ultra-Orthodox harassment, and organize a city-wide campaign to "rock the municipal establishment."

Members of the Beltz community studying near their rabbi's home less than 200 metres from Beit Miriam yesterday blamed non-religious residents of Mekor Baruch for the attack. They denied Tzelem allegations of harassment by ultra-Orthodox, and accused the non-religious residents of "starting a war."



Deputy Knesset Speaker Meir Cohen-Avidor (Herut) on a hunger strike outside the prime minister's house in Jerusalem yesterday. Cohen was part of a counter-demonstration against anti-war groups nearby. (Imac Harari)

Government backers mount demonstration at PM's home

By ROBERT ROSENBERG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

About two dozen pro-government demonstrators yesterday began a counter-vigil outside the prime minister's residence in Jerusalem, to protest against the 41-day-long vigil of people demanding a withdrawal from Lebanon.

Among those at the demonstration yesterday was Deputy Knesset Speaker Meir Cohen-Avidor. He said he was staging a hunger strike and would have a mattress brought to the sidewalk opposite Premier Menachem Begin's house, and stay there until the anti-war demonstrators leave.

Cohen-Avidor, a Herut stalwart, accused the anti-war demonstrators — who were yesterday joined by members of the Parents Against Silence group — of "trafficking in the sorrow of the bereaved." He himself had a son who was killed in military service.

Several of the pro-government demonstrators, who included Herut activists, argued vociferously with the anti-government demonstrators, who — at police insistence — number no more than two or three at any given time. The anti-war demonstrators, who have a sign with

the number of Israeli soldiers killed hanging from a retaining wall next to the sidewalk, were described as "agents of the PLO, in the pay of the CIA and the Saudi Arabians," and were shouted down when they tried to respond.

One of the pro-government demonstrators sat away from the rest of the group on the sidewalk listening to a radio. He had drawn a poster from what he said was his blood. His arms were red and mottled. The poster showed a knife plunged into a Star of David, with blood dripping from the star.

Cohen-Avidor stood silently opposite the premier's house during the day, ignoring the bustle of demonstrators around him. The police set up barricades around the three anti-war demonstrators and tried to keep traffic moving. At least one taxi driver was fined for disrupting traffic, cursing the anti-war demonstrators and then cursing a police officer who tried to get him moving. There was no sign that Begin was at home or aware of what was going on outside his house.

By yesterday evening the numbers of pro-government demonstrators had dwindled, but at 7:30 p.m., Cohen-Avidor was still there.

Judge receives death threats

Jerusalem Post Reporter

District Court Judge Day Eitan, who reportedly signed a Yesh Gvul anti-war petition, said yesterday he has been receiving death threats at his home.

Eitan interrupted proceedings during a trial yesterday in Jerusalem District Court, to read into the minutes of the session a note he had received from his wife. The note said that an anonymous letter delivered to their home warned that "Emil Grunzweig (who was killed by a hand grenade thrown at a

Peace Now rally last February) is waiting for you."

"I cannot go on like this," said the judge. He charged that "there are people in the Justice Ministry" who are encouraging the attacks on him, and said that a request he made for an early vacation had been turned down.

Justice Ministry sources have said that Eitan's signature on the petition would "not be ignored" by the ministry, but so far no action has been taken.

WARDS OVERFLOW

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The arbitration idea was supported by Geula Cohen (Tehiya) and Yehuda Perah (Liberal-Likud). But Porush said at the end of the meeting that he opposed any move to "confer special status" on the doctors and remove them from the national wage framework.

Many cancer cases have not been diagnosed because of the strike, Health Ministry Director-General Baruch Modan told the committee. If the national average is 8,000 new cases of cancer annually, then statistics indicate that about 700 cases have not been diagnosed since the strike began, he said.

Ishai agreed with this, but angrily contradicted Kupat Holim Clalit chairman, Haim Doron's statement that the death rate had risen by almost 20 per cent during the strike. (This topic will be taken up in the Knesset plenum today, when Knesset Member Pinhas Goldstein (Liberal-Likud) presents a motion for the agenda on the rising death rate in hospitals due to the strike.)

A bitter battle is expected today when the national council of Kupat Holim Clalit doctors meets to vote on whether to allow the clinic doctors to return to full-time work. The decision was approved on Sunday by the group's 12-member executive committee. IMA officials yesterday expressed their opposition to any "breaking of the ranks" at this time, and even if the proposal wins the approval of the national council, a favourable vote by the IMA central committee is considered unlikely.

Implementation of the "best possible care" plan varied yesterday from hospital to hospital in accordance with Sunday's decision by the IMA to allow each hospital to "decide on a local level" just what steps to take. Reports from the

two Hadassah hospitals in Jerusalem noted severe pressure in the emergency rooms and a "creeping" towards overcrowding in the mostly already full wards.

In the greater Tel Aviv area, the change in tactics caused some disruptions yesterday. But the situation will probably only get worse today, said Prof. Dan Michaeli, head of the Tel Aviv municipality hospital network consisting of Ichilov, Hadassah Balfour, and the maternity hospital. At Ichilov, the occupancy rate was only 85 per cent yesterday.

ISRAEL

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The Foreign Ministry yesterday denied reports according to which the U.S. is pressing Israel not to carry out a hasty unilateral withdrawal from the Shouf mountain region. But other diplomatic sources confirmed that the U.S. has expressed opposition to such a move unless coordinated with it and with the Beirut government. Apparently, they said, some officials in Washington are afraid that Israel might do so.

The Americans believe that the Shouf problem is not military in essence but political, stemming from the struggle of Lebanese Druse against the regime of President Amin Jemayel in Beirut. Israel and the U.S., along with Lebanon, are wary of the vacuum that could follow an IDF redeployment. This explains the weight given in Kimche's mission, and to an examination of what forces could enter the areas to be evacuated.

Israel, meanwhile, is continuing to map out several alternative plans for redeployment of the IDF, to be presented to the U.S.

Classified British document may reveal Arlosoroff clue

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — New evidence on the murder of Haim Arlosoroff should come to light next January 1, when the British government declassifies some archives relating to the case, according to Professor Yosef Nedava of Haifa University.

Nedava testified yesterday before the state commission of inquiry into the killing of the Labour Zionist leader and Jewish agency official 50 years ago this week. The commission was holding its second hearing.

Nedava and two other witnesses asserted that Avraham Stavsky, the Revisionist who was charged with killing Arlosoroff, was innocent of the crime. Stavsky and Zvi Rosenblatt were both brought to trial for the murder, but acquitted for lack of evidence.

Nedava said he had indirect evidence that Abdul-Majid, a criminal with a thick file was guilty of killing Arlosoroff. He said the man confessed to Yitzhak Hankin, when both were in prison in 1935. Hankin had confessed to killing a Beduin over a land dispute. In 1941, Hankin reportedly told Eliahu Golomb and Shaul Meirov (Avigur), top Hagana officers, of the confession, but was told to keep it to himself.

Nedava also reported that the late Margot Klausner quoted Behor Shitrit, a police officer at the time of the murder (and later Israeli minister of police), as saying that Arlosoroff was murdered by Arabs. Arlosoroff's late widow, Sima, was very angry at Shitrit, who never mentioned the matter again.

Asserting that Stavsky was innocent, Nedava quoted testimony by Avraham Tehomi, first commanding officer of the Irgun Zva'i Leumi, who had conducted a

thorough investigation of that Stavsky could Arlosoroff's killer. Teh lives in Hong Kong.

Nedava called on the commission to declare that no Revisionist was guilty of the murder, and best to determine who committed the crime.

Another witness yesterday, octogenarian Arye Lutke, a Tel Aviv policeman at the murder, Lutke said he panicked another policeman, a cast of the footprints at the murder. A British official examined the cast, and Lutke concluded it did not correspond to Stavsky's shoe. But some of Lutke "had the feeling" were being twisted to testimony against Stavsky. Lutke, who said he signed the cast a second Revisionist himself, and sed from the police in 1935 being trustworthy to his

The third witness was Golan, 66, who on the day before the murder was the seashore by a map later identified by photographs as Abdul-Majid. Golan said he was report the incident to did not leave his home months. But in 1935, he called "Revisionist Menachem Begin Cohen" to tell them attorney Micha Cass Arlosoroff's son Sha that Begin entered in eight years later. "Could be."

Next Sunday, the members will Rosenblatt, who is

Reagan underlines U.S. support

By WOLF BLITZER
Post Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — An unusually strong display of bipartisan U.S. support for Israel was demonstrated this week at the annual policy conference of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC), the officially registered pro-Israel lobbying group on Capitol Hill.

In a written message to more than 1,000 delegates gathered in Washington for the meeting, President Ronald Reagan again un-

derlined the recent U.S. relations with Israel administration was "the Soviet military support to Syria. The U.S., he continue to insure Israel's edge" in the regional

The president said Lebanese peace agreement "a new era" in Israel relations. He pledged will continue to work removal of all foreign Lebanon, including Sy-

Milo warns of 'unpleasant outbreak'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Herut Knesset faction head Ronnie Milo warned last night that "unpleasant outbreaks" could result if the Likud responds to what he termed "Alignment's incitement."

Speaking on Israel Television's Mabar newsreel, Milo predicted that the Likud, including Prime Minister Menachem Begin, would soon end the silence it had imposed on itself, in the face of "Alignment incitement" concerning the war in Lebanon.

"I assume that the silence of the

prime minister will there is a limit to who sorb and hear with Milo said. "It could be unpleasant outbreaks."

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Israel-French economic paper signed in J'lem

An agreement on economic cooperation between Israel and France was signed in Jerusalem yesterday. It includes commerce, finance, investment, and relations between Israel and the European Community.

Sources said that in the talks held before the agreement was drawn up, one of the main subjects was how to minimize the damage to Israel's interests when Spain joins the Common Market.

Most of El Al elects single works body

BEN GURION AIRPORT. — Some 80 per cent of El Al's 3,500 workers yesterday elected a sole workers' committee to replace the previous eight staff committees.

The development is expected to end the tradition of militant committees disrupting the national carrier's operations, regardless of the mood among other workers. In the past, some committees struck over issues that seemed trivial, and by doing so grounded the entire fleet.

Now, job actions will require a majority vote in the council. The pilots, who want separate representation, and technical managers, who said they were under-represented, boycotted yesterday's session. Therefore the new council will have 30 members, and not 34 as originally planned.

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Peres said: "Foreign are supposed to be more reserved in their cannot conceive of any minister in any enlightened making the sort of statement made last week."

He continued: "Don't what the Kahan report on the and Shatilla affair said abe way you listen to what you and the way you fail to things."

Arafat: PLO awaits Israel's reply on Po

Palestine Liberation Organization chairman Yasser Arafat was yesterday saying that the PLO awaiting an official answer Israel concerning a prisoner change. Israel radio reported night.

Citing an interview in the Bai newspaper Akhbar al-Khali, radio said Arafat spoke of continuing negotiations on the prison through the Red Cross and government of Austria.

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UNIVERSITY. — The Saltiel Centre for Pre-Academic Studies of the Hebrew University has a new head, Dr. Michel Abitbol, 37, who replaces Dr. Raphael Israeli.

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Kollek tells WZO: do more for Jerusalem

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek yesterday chided the World Zionist Organization for failing to implement all but one of the municipality's proposals to bolster international recognition of the city as Israel's capital.

Bringing his greetings to the opening session of the three-day Zionist General Council meetings in Jerusalem's Binyanei Ha'uma, the mayor said that the only measure that the WZO has put into effect regarding the city was to promote Jerusalem Day celebrations in Diaspora communities. He urged that a "small committee of people who care" meet and find ways to strengthen Jerusalem. He added that the government, "by its inaction, hardly recognizes Jerusalem."

The mayor charged that thousands of Jerusalemites, even those living in the new neighborhoods, are leaving them to live in "other areas that I don't want to name because I respect all the areas." Kollek noted that the rest of the world does not recognize the new Jerusalem quarters any more than it recognizes Israeli sovereignty over the administered areas.

Zionist Executive Chairman Arye Duzin, next to speak, admitted that "maybe we don't do enough, and it's good that you remind us. We will do more."

President Chaim Herzog, making his first appearance before the ZGC, said that "justified or not," the press gave a very negative picture of the Zionist Congress held last December. "The result among the Jewish people was destructive."

The president said that the fact that the Congress concentrated on the allocation of portfolios to party officials — a process that has not yet been completed — contributed to the bad image of the WZO, especially among young people.

The new chairman of the ZGC, Ephraim Even, also expressed his dissatisfaction that party wrangling over portfolios had prevented the appointment of some department chairmen.

Duzin, in the main address, said he, too, was sorry for failing to allocate portfolios, but he said he hoped to do so by the end of this week.

He announced that as the meeting will last only three days and since it is devoted to a discussion of the "Zionist-non-Zionist" relationship, the hundreds of delegates will come to Jerusalem again at the end of this year for five more days of discussions on "other vital issues."

Addressing the ZGC for the last time as chairman of the Jewish Agency board of governors, Max Fisher, who is retiring at the age of 75, told the delegates that he was

"seriously troubled by the fact that a large percentage of Israeli society remains unfamiliar with the WZO and the Jewish Agency." Citing results of a poll, Fisher added that he was encouraged, however, by the finding that many Israelis think the WZO and the Agency should be strengthened and feel strong identification with the Jewish people. Fisher called for structural and operational changes in the WZO and the agency.

Shinui delegate Professor Hillel Shoval criticized the organizers of the meetings for deleting from material handed to delegates a political resolution adopted at the Zionist Congress.

The resolution noted the Congress's "failure to reach a consensus on government settlement policy." Shoval said the omission was deliberate, but the organizers said it was an error.

Even, who was the first in his post to demand a full-time salary rather than serve voluntarily, failed yesterday to implement one of his proposed changes in the ZGC agenda. He hired an accordionist, a slide projector and operator, and had hundreds of copies of song sheets printed in Hebrew and translated in Latin characters. The delegates were called upon to sing Hava Nagila and other songs in a spirit of unity. But the delegates, apparently exhausted by the speeches, left their seats and refused to sing.



Knesset Finance Committee chairman Gad Ya'acobi takes a closer look while on a tour of Judea and Samaria with Housing and Construction Minister David Levy yesterday. (Zoom 77)

Judge raps police negligence

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Police negligence and disrespect cause trials to be delayed, unnecessary suffering to witnesses and defendants and waste the court's time, Magistrate Court Judge Tamar Jacobs said yesterday, during the trial of a man charged with theft at Jaffa's flea market.

In a memorandum sent yesterday to Police Inspector-General Rav-Nitzav Arye Ivizan, Jacobs blasted the police for negligence in locating defendants and witnesses, and for procrastinating.

Jacobs said that during the trial she was informed by the police that one of the witnesses could not be located. When the witness finally appeared in court at a later date, he said that the address was the same one registered in the police and court files.

Jacobs said that she had encountered a number of cases in which the police failed to bring

witnesses to court, maintaining that they could not be located, while the real reason was that the police had not bothered to look for them properly.

"It seems to me that the police shortcomings are awful," Jacob continued. "In this case, the court's time was wasted, the defendant's trial was unnecessarily delayed and a witness was troubled to come to court for nothing. All because the police acted negligently."

The trial continues. Kol Yisrael radio last night reported that the justice minister had asked the interior minister to order the police to investigate the threatening letters sent to Eitan. Justice Minister Moshe Nissim condemned all threats on human life and especially on judges.

A Justice Ministry spokesman said that in view of the respect owed to any judge, he could not reply to Eitan's statement that some of the threats against him had come from the ministry.

Nissim: MKs should list their assets

Post Knesset Correspondent

Justice Minister Moshe Nissim said yesterday that Knesset Members should submit an annual capital declaration to the State Comptroller.

Giving the House Committee a list of proposals for a code of ethics for MKs, Nissim said the declaration should include money, the properties, assets and liabilities of the MK and his family, as well as their sources of income.

"Nissim suggested that an ethics committee be set up to handle cases of MKs who violate the above and six other rules of conduct, and to impose punishments."

Woman, 72, raped

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A 72-year-old woman was raped in the grounds of a school in the Hadar quarter on Monday night by a man armed with a razor.

The woman was walking home at about 10 p.m. when the assailant, believed to be in his 30s, accosted her from behind. He threatened her with the razor, dragged her into the grounds of the Geylah School and raped her.

The woman, who suffered face and throat injuries, went to police headquarters downtown, from where she was taken to Rothschild Hospital for treatment.

The police are seeking people who may have seen any part of the incident.

Nature group to hold meeting at Har Gilo

The council of the Israel Society for the Protection of Nature will meet today at the society's field school at Har Gilo in Jerusalem.

A society spokesman said that Education and Culture Minister Zevulun Hammer will attend the meeting, at which society secretary Yoav Saguy will announce that in the last year, 380,000 people participated in tours of the country organized by the society.

Energy, Finance ministries clash over Med-Dead report

By CHARLES HOFFMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Energy Ministry yesterday accused Finance Ministry officials of "deliberately deceiving" a team of Hebrew University professors concerning the Mediterranean-Dead Sea Project. The Finance Ministry, said the Energy Ministry spokesman, deceived the professors by leaving to them an incomplete draft of a report on the project's impact on the Dead Sea Works.

Two weeks ago, the three professors wrote to the Med-Dead Company, objecting to the conclusions of a report on the effects of mixing the waters of the Mediterranean Sea and the Dead Sea. The professors wrote that the report contradicted findings of studies they conducted last year, which pointed to the possibility of a layer of gypsum crystallizing and floating on the Dead Sea surface. This would undermine the viability of the Med-Dead project and harm potash production at the Dead Sea Works.

On Monday, Knesset Member

Imri Ron distributed a copy of the letter, which he had obtained from the Treasury, to the press at the Knesset. One of the professors, Amitai Katz, told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that his group was greatly dismayed by this, because they had not intended to publicize their complaints until a reply had been received from the company.

The Energy Ministry spokesman said that the material leaked to the professors was an incomplete draft of a report prepared by the company last January. It contained the findings of several studies conducted on the effects of mixing the waters of the two seas.

Energy Ministry chief scientist Prof. Haim Elata, told *The Post* yesterday that several studies conducted in the last year in laboratories and in an experimental facility at the Dead Sea indicate that "there is no danger that gypsum will float on the surface." He said: "There is no question that under certain conditions gypsum is formed, but it sinks to the bottom."

Home helpers get at least IS100 an hour

By LEA LEVAVI

TEL AVIV. — The minimum hourly wage for household helpers is now IS100, Tel Aviv Labour Council leaders told a news conference here yesterday.

They also announced the establishment of a 24-hour recorded telephone message service that gives information about wages and prerequisites for household helpers and governesses. The numbers to call are 03-284304 and 03-284471. A detailed booklet of information can be obtained by writing to P.O.B.

4077, Tel Aviv. Knesset Member Dov Ben-Meir, secretary-general of the council, said many household workers are exploited because of their inability to read and general lack of knowledge about their rights.

The biggest problem, he said, are the 100 or so cleaning contractors whose employees are not organized. "We don't get the chance to talk to these workers, who work after office buildings are officially closed, so they know little about their rights."

Religious councils threaten to strike

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The country's religious councils say they may have to stop their services — from burials to operating ritual baths — unless the government hands over the IS135 million they say it owes them.

The Association of Religious Councils in Israel sent an urgent letter this week to Religious Affairs Minister Yosef Burg calling on the government to make good on its debts. According to association chairman David Danino, the local authorities owe the religious councils "twice as much" as the government owes them.

The councils offer burial services, operate mikvaot, register marriages and divorces and supervise kashrut. If the government and local authorities don't pay their debts, "we won't have enough money to pay salaries," Danino said. He added that the local authorities owe the religious councils twice as much as the government.

Two Bat Yam beaches may reopen by weekend

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BAT YAM. — Workers are labouring around the clock to repair a broken sewage pipe that forced the closure of two of Bat Yam's beaches this week. The two beaches are Riviera and Ladugma.

The head of the Bat Yam Beach Authority, Yehuda Shekel, told *The Jerusalem Post* he hoped the repair would be finished in time to reopen the beaches by this weekend.

Double dose of road safety in schools

By AARON SITNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israeli pupils — from kindergarten through secondary school — will be subject to twice the amount of road safety programmes beginning with the coming school year. Moshe Amirav, director of the Transport Ministry's Road Safety Authority, announced this yesterday after a meeting of the Ministerial Committee on Road Safety.

Amirav told *The Jerusalem Post* that the authority transferred IS9 million to the Education and Culture Ministry for in-school road-safety activities this year. Next year, he said, the grant will be raised to IS40m.

Yitzhak Friedman, director of the ministry's pupils division, has also

decided on an innovation beginning next year: every primary and secondary school in the country will include in its curriculum one hour a week devoted exclusively to teaching Israeli schoolchildren how to behave on the streets and roads.

The ministerial committee also approved an allocation of 42 per cent of the state's income from motor-vehicle licensing to local authorities, to be used solely for improving road-safety conditions in their communities.

Last year, IS1.12b. were collected through vehicle licensing, but only IS248m. were spent on road construction and repair.

Transport Minister Haim Corfu said at yesterday's meeting that budgets for road safety measures are totally inadequate. "They do not even provide the minimum

means required for keeping pace with the fast-growing number of motor vehicles plying the roads," he said.

Interior Ministry Director-General Haim Kuberky was named to head a subcommittee that will decide on allocating funds to the agencies engaged in road safety.

Police Inspector-General Rav-Nitzav Arye Ivizan told the committee that besides the two tactical traffic-enforcement units the police recently established, no further safety work could be undertaken because of a shortage of manpower allowances. This moved Corfu to declare that he will soon meet Finance Minister Yoram Aridor and Interior Minister Yosef Burg, to discuss ways of getting additional funding for police activities in the field of accident prevention.

'Terror' against Rishon junior-high plan

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Terror tactics are being used against teachers in Rishon LeZion who want to help institute junior high schools, Micha Barkol, central-region director for the Education and Culture Ministry, asserted yesterday.

Speaking to reporters, he would not elaborate about alleged threats against the teachers by the Histadrut Teachers Union and other elements opposed to the change. "I can tell you, though, that one elementary-school assistant principal, who is being considered to run one of the new junior high schools, told me she is afraid to go after the job," he said.

Barkol added that there had been severe disciplinary infractions, such as using a school secretary to type anti-reform literature sent to parents, or holding "underground" anti-reform meetings of principals and teachers during school hours. The ministry, he said, did not take action, he said, in the hope of reaching an understanding with the union.

Dr. Gideon Ben-Dror, deputy director-general of the ministry and chairman of its committee for implementing the step, said the union's real reason for objecting is fear that the junior-high teachers will join the rival Secondary School Teachers Association.

Barkol and Ben-Dror both warned seventh and eighth-grade

teachers in Rishon that those who do not request placement in junior high schools for next year may find that there are no jobs for them. The ministry officials say there will be no problem filling all positions, since many elementary-school teachers have acquired the necessary qualifications. He added that judging from past experience, more than enough will be interested in moving into junior high schools.

Rishon LeZion Mayor Hanania Gibeinstein complained that principals had incited parents, and even pupils, against him, against the municipality and against the ministry. Elementary schools are overcrowded, and land in the centre of town is unavailable or overpriced, he said. But, he declared, educational parks built on formerly agricultural land on the outskirts of town, can accommodate the new junior and senior-high schools.

The Histadrut teachers union flatly denied the charge of terror, calling it "verbal violence not based on facts." If there really were terror, a union spokesman said, Barkol would have been more willing to cite specific examples.

Union Secretary-General Amnon Abramson explained that his union's objection is on pedagogical grounds. The reform will destroy a good educational system in Rishon, he said. In view of recent findings about third-grade pupils who cannot read or do arithmetic, the union feels money should be spent on improving elementary education rather than on building junior-high schools.

CANDIDATE. — Ramat Gan Labour Council secretary Uri Amit has been chosen as the Labour Party candidate for mayor in the municipal elections this autumn.

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Sweden urges ban on all N-tests

GENEVA. — Sweden, warning that the nuclear threat to mankind is "drawing nearer and nearer," yesterday submitted the draft of a treaty banning all nuclear-weapons tests.

Swedish ambassador Maj Britt Theorin told the UN Committee on Disarmament that "no course would be more sensible" in the efforts to halt the arms race than a total ban of all nuclear testing.

Theorin, who introduced the draft as the 40-nation committee resumed its deliberations after a six-week recess, charged that the nuclear powers had blocked an accord on such a ban for more than 20 years.

"This does enormous damage to their credibility," she said. "They are evidently prepared to make only a gesture of disarmament... when some type of weapon has become obsolete or when further weapons development has lost any military usefulness. They are playing a deceitful game against the world's need for peace and common security."

The 11-point Swedish draft would ban "any nuclear-weapon test explosion in any environment." It would also place a moratorium on peaceful nuclear explosions pending international agreements on conducting them.

verification system including on-site inspections to protect against cheating. Theorin said that adequate verification measures, outlined in an annex to the draft, are a "most important element" in a test ban.

Speaking only two days after Swedish monitors reported a new powerful Soviet test, Theorin said that nuclear weapons constitute "the most imminent of all threats to the survival of the human race. This threat is drawing nearer and nearer."

Also yesterday, the U.S. and Soviet delegations met here for three hours in their strategic-arms reduction talks.

The session, the second full

meeting since the secret talks resumed last Thursday after a 12-week recess, was assumed to have dealt with the latest American proposals on cutting the number of intercontinental missiles. The proposals, outlined last week by President Ronald Reagan, have already been rejected as "patently unacceptable" in a commentary distributed by the official Tass news agency.

In Washington, President Ronald Reagan said Monday it was Moscow's turn to show some flexibility in nuclear-arms talks and rejected as "a meaningless gesture" the Kremlin's proposal for a nuclear-free zone in Scandinavia and the Baltic region. (AP, Reuters)

Chernenko: U.S. push to atomic war

MOSCOW. — Soviet Communist party Secretary Konstantin Chernenko yesterday called the Reagan administration irresponsible and aggressive and said it was pushing the world towards an atomic war.

Chernenko's speech was the main policy statement at a meeting of the Communist party central committee and quashed reports that he was in severe political difficulties and about to step down.

Formerly chief aide to the late party leader Leonid Brezhnev, Chernenko, 71, lost the battle for the succession to Yuri Andropov last November and since then his political position has appeared to be slipping.

He was absent from view from March until the end of May because of illness, and there were rumours that he might be edged out at this week's plenum from his positions as party secretary and member of the Politburo. (Reuters, AP)

Swiss won't host UN talks on Palestine

BERN (AP). — Switzerland, citing security reasons, has formally requested that Geneva not be chosen as site for the proposed UN Conference on Palestine.

Swiss President and Foreign Minister Pierre Aubert told the lower house of parliament on Monday that the government had been in touch with UN Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar, to outline "in clear words" why it did not wish to host the conference, scheduled for August 16-27.

The meeting was originally to take place at UN headquarters in Paris. That plan was dropped because of French objections, although France has no legal means to prevent meetings from being held on UN private grounds.

Planners then considered convening the conference — supposedly the largest ever on Palestine — at the Geneva UN office. But UN sources said arranging a meeting of such size at such short notice and at the peak of the tourist season would pose difficult problems.

Aubert said Swiss opposition to hosting the conference was primarily determined by security reasons. In France, Jewish groups had threatened to mobilize 50,000 demonstrators in front of the proposed conference building.

Conservatives and centrists to form world-wide union

BONN (Reuters). — More than 20 Conservative and centrist party leaders will meet in London on June 24 to form a world-wide grouping called the International Democratic Union (IDU). West Germany's Christian Democrats said yesterday.

The new union, the rightist equivalent of the Socialist International, will be an umbrella organization for the European Democratic Union and the Pacific Democratic Union.

A Christian Democratic statement said the IDU's member parties represent almost 150 million voters, twice as many as those supporting parties in the Socialist International.

Among those attending the inaugural ceremony will be British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, fresh from her election victory, and Federal-German Chancellor Helmut Kohl. Other participants include Japanese Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone, French right-wing opposition leader Jacques Chirac, and conservative leaders from Australia and Austria.

Carabinieri officers murdered in Palermo

PALERMO, Sicily (AP). — Presumed Mafia gunmen on Monday shot dead a top anti-crime official of the Carabinieri and two other members of the paramilitary police force, officials said.

Police said Captain Mario d'Aleo and two other officers — Giuseppe Bonmarito and Piero Morici — were in Monreale on the outskirts of Palermo when they were attacked outside d'Aleo's home.

Gold miners slain

LA PAZ, Bolivia (AP). — Nine miners were machine-gunned to death by five assailants in the gold mining region of Tipuani, 150 kilometres to the north of here, officials said on Monday.

Four men and one woman opened fire on Saturday on a vehicle carrying a driver and 10 members of the gold mining cooperative "Cotoca."

The La Paz daily *Ultima Hora* said that "the assault could have political motives and could have been done by paramilitary trying to create a climate of fear in the country with clearly subversive purposes."

Poland to greet pope with sobriety and tight security

WARSAW (AP). — Polish authorities pledged yesterday to use their forces to the "fullest extent" to maintain security during the visit of Pope John Paul II, which begins this week. The sale of alcohol was banned in the eight provinces the pope will visit.

General Jozef Bejma, chief of Poland's Citizens' Militia (police), told a news conference that security precautions would be "based on needs," and that the "militia will use its forces to the fullest extent to assure security."

Other police officials said they had the full cooperation of the Roman Catholic Church for their security measures, and that the

church had agreed to turn over to the police anyone caught breaking the law.

Starting in Warsaw, where the pope arrives on Thursday, the authorities outlawed alcohol sales, including bottles sales in state-run shops and the Pewex hard-currency outlets. Drinks in restaurants and cafes in every area the pope will visit have also been banned.

Alcohol sales in Skierniewice province, site of the Niepokalanow monastery, and in Czeszochowa, where the pope will spend three days, will be banned from Wednesday, the government daily *Rzeczpospolita* said.

Possible cure for herpes developed in UK

LONDON (Reuters). — British scientists say a new vaccine they have developed against the sexually transmitted disease herpes has given encouraging results in initial trials.

But the scientists, from the Centre for Applied Microbiology and Research at Porton Down, southern England, caution that it is too early to say whether the vaccine will live up to its early promise.

Genital herpes, a viral infection, has so far proved incurable. An es-

timated 20 million people suffer from the disease in the U.S., and new cases are believed to be occurring at the rate of half a million a year.

Professor Jack Melling, director of vaccine production at Porton Down, said the vaccine had been tested on 100 volunteers, with encouraging results. In one group, 17 out of 24 persons suffering from recurrent herpes reported some improvement after treatment.

Comrades can't bear bare campaigner

TRIESTE (AP). — A candidate for local office who takes off all her clothes before delivering outdoor speeches is causing some headaches for the Communists in this northern Italian community.

Dora Pezzilli, 36, has been dubbed "The One Who Strips Naked."

She is running as a candidate for the regional legislature in the electoral list backed by the Communists.

Pezzilli, known for her efforts on behalf of prostitutes, was quoted as saying that she wanted to dramatize the "plight of nudists who are being deprived of freedom." Specifically, she is calling for the repeal of a ban on nude bathing in public beaches and pools.

"There's been a negative reaction from her running mates," said Giovanni Zanolini, head of the Communist party in Pordenone, where Pezzilli is running.

'Dragon of Drama' on trial in Greece

SALONIKA (Reuters). — A Greek army lieutenant went on trial here yesterday on charges of murder and attempted rape.

The man, Kyriakos Papachronis, 23, was charged by a military tribunal with two murders, four attempted murders, two attempted rapes, one case of grievous bodily harm, 10 cases of using weapons in a threatening way, and one theft.

Most of the incidents involved attacks on women in the town of

Drama, where Papachronis was serving in a mountain-operations unit. Those murdered were a prostitute in Drama and a student in Salonika.

Two hundred persons gathered outside the tiny courtroom and demanded to be admitted to what has been dubbed the "dragon of Drama" trial. Forty witnesses, including six victims of attempted rape, are due to appear.

Ancient jawbone links Australia to world

MELBOURNE (AP). — The fossilized jawbone of a large mammal-like reptile that inhabited Australia over 220 million years ago has been discovered in southeast Queensland, Australia.

The jawbone was discovered recently by Richard Thulborn, a zoologist from the University of Queensland. It is the first fossil of its kind to be found in Australia.

Until this discovery, Australia was the only continent that lacked the remains of these reptiles, known as Dicynodonts.

Thulborn described the animal as resembling "a small, chunky hippo, with a head coming forward to form a beak, and possibly a couple of tusks projecting from the upper jaw."

S. African right-wing terrorists get 15 years

PRETORIA (Reuters). — Two right-wing White extremists were yesterday sentenced to 15 years in jail by South Africa's Supreme Court for terrorist activities.

The men, members of the Whitesupremacist *Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging* (AWB) — the Afrikaner Resistance Movement — were found guilty of planning to assassinate leading black clergymen and to send syphilis-infected mice into a multi-racial hotel.

The two, Jacob Daniel Viljoen, 41, and Hendrik Gerhardus Jacobz,

37, were also found guilty of planning to sabotage the multi-racial President's Council, the government's senior advisory body, and of stealing explosives and possessing arms.

The court also heard evidence that they had planned to kill Bishop Desmond Tutu, secretary-general of the president of the World South African Council of Churches, and Allan Boesak, president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, both vocal critics of South Africa's apartheid laws.

Swiss husbands to lose 'head of family' title

BERN (AP). — The Swiss Parliament on Monday overwhelmingly approved draft legislation improving the legal status of married women and abolishing the codified position of the husband as "head of the family."

The vote, in the lower house of

parliament, was 139-7, after a week-long debate. A motion seeking legal norms also for couples living together without being married was defeated.

The bill permits wives to retain their maiden name in marriage if they wish.

DISPOSAL EXPERTS

Since water reservoirs, to capture flood waters, are also planned for the Western Negev, the solution to the problem of leakage is more pressing than ever. This is because chemical effluents, if dumped into Nahal Secher and Nahal Habesor, could reach these reservoirs.

The IDF spokesman finally agreed to check into the matter. We were put in touch with Yehuda Kalvaria, coordinator of environmental protection for the defence establishment, which includes the defence industries as well as the army.

"Like all other major industries, the IDF at this moment has no solution to the problem outside of its own system," Kalvaria said. "It is trying to find economic solutions, such as the recycling and sale of certain toxic wastes to plants that can use those materials in their own chemical processes. Some toxic wastes have great monetary value."

Kalvaria said that the IDF is making every effort to find inexpensive ways of using its wastes. "The IDF and the entire defence establishment are careful not to pollute and are the first to invest in solutions," he said. "The problem was and remains that small factories find it unprofitable to transport their wastes hundreds of kilometres to an authorized site. I believe that only 10 per cent of these wastes will eventually make it to the Ramat Hovav site, if it is reopened."

The greatest proliferation of small, toxic-waste-producing factories

is in the electroplating industry. A large number of marginally profitable plants, usually crowded together in large cities, use cyanide as a catalyst in their processing pools.

Although 200 tons of cyanide are imported into the country every year, nobody knows how much of it, once used, is properly stored in sealed barrels and how much of it is dumped into sewers. While barrels of cyanide wastes left in a factory's backyard may look tidy enough when stacked, a good look at the bottom barrels may reveal that they are empty — their contents having seeped out over the years. When cyanides get into the water system they are untraceable; by the time they get into the eco-system, it may be too late.

Sports

Javelin record

TAMPERE, Finland (AP). — Tiina Lillak of Finland set a record for throwing the javelin on Monday, with a throw of 74.75 metres, breaking the old mark by almost 60 cm. Lillak's throw shattered the record of 74.08 m. held by Sofia Sakorafa of Greece.

The 22-year-old Lillak had owned the record herself for a short time last year, when she hurled the javelin 72.40 m. in July. However, she failed to win a medal in the European Championships in Athens six weeks later. Lillak has shown consistent form recently.

Despite the record, Lillak was not happy with her best throw. "It was not a good throw," she said. "The year end of the javelin was not in the right position. But I got my hip so well into the throw that it flew to a record. If my coach would have been here, he would have given me a scolding."

Frail champions

Post Sports Staff
RAMAT GAN. — Maccabi Netanya defeated Hapoel Tel Aviv yesterday 1-0 in the Ramat Gan stadium in the so-called clash of champions, Netanya being the league champions and Tel Aviv the cup winners. But the match was very feeble indeed, and was obviously not taken seriously by Hapoel Tel Aviv, who fielded seven reserves in place of regular players. Netanya were at full strength, apart from Oded Machness, who is injured, and David Pizanti, missing for undisclosed reasons.

The single goal was scored by Benny Lamm in the 60th minute with a 17m. shot. There were only 2,000 spectators in the huge stadium. It is hard to understand why such a shameful display should ever have been staged in midsummer, long after the season ended.

Boycott broken

CAPE TOWN (Reuters). — A combined New Zealand and British Lions Rugby Union side will play two matches in South Africa next month, Western Province Rugby President Jan Pickard said yesterday.

He told a press conference that the matches would be part of the Western Province Rugby Union's centenary celebrations.

The touring team of 21 players would consist of seven New Zealand All-Blacks and 14 from the English, Welsh, Scottish and Irish Rugby Unions, most of whom will have played by then in the current test series between the Lions and New Zealand, he said.

Pickard said the side would be led by current Lions manager Syd Millar, and New Zealanders Ivan Vodanovich who coached a previous All Black side on a tour of South Africa. They would be responsible for selecting the 21 players he said. "I was thrilled with the positive reaction I had from overseas and all four home unions agreed their players would be available," Pickard said.

Youngsters on tour

TEL AVIV. — Fifteen of the Israeli Tennis Centre's top boys and girls in the nine-to-11 age bracket are this month taking part in fund-raising and promotion campaigns in the U.S. and Canada, aimed at raising \$1m. for the ITC's building programme in Jerusalem and Haifa.

The organization's public relations director between the East and West coasts, each group visiting more than 20 cities during their four-week tour. The fundraising five children leave for Britain tomorrow with their families' visit including the home of a day's visit to Wimbledon.

Eight new courts are being built at the Jerusalem Tennis Centre — including a stadium-court with seating for 2,000 people — bringing the number to 19, and so making it the largest of all the ITC's eight facilities. Under construction in Haifa are six additional courts and the "Chicago House" Educational Building. In the past seven years, the ITC has raised \$19.5m. from supporters around the world.

The organization's public relations director Ruth Kedar reports that leading local leaders Amos Mansdorf, Gila Bloom, Ori Ben-Zion and Rafaeli Rayanah have recently made contributions of \$1,000 each to the Israel Tennis Centre, thus becoming the first ITC "graduates" to join the list of founder-members.

Prudential Cup

Post Sports Staff
West Indies and Australia are expected, with their respective matches against Zimbabwe and India yesterday, after being in strong positions at the start of play on Monday. West Indies made the most of their first innings lead, scoring 218 for 2 (Greenidge 105 not out, Gomes 75 not out) to beat Zimbabwe by eight wickets. Australia defeated India for 158 (MacLaren 49 for 39), and then won by 162 runs.

Baseball: Monday

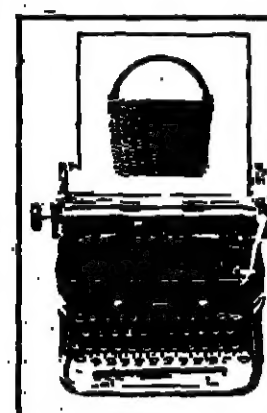
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National League

Los Angeles 5; Cincinnati 1; Chicago 7; New York 3; Pittsburgh 4; Montreal 3; Philadelphia 6; St. Louis 2; Houston 2; San Diego 6.

Lions win

MASTERTON, New Zealand (AP). — The British Isles Rugby Union team beat Waikato bush here Tuesday by 57 points to 10.



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war going on. Do you want me to go to the chief of staff and ask what we do with our garbage?"

The attitude that Israel's toxic-waste problems are minuscule compared with those of other industrial nations seems a dangerous one. Israel is minuscule. It cannot afford to risk contamination of even a small part of its area.

One problem caused by indiscriminate dumping of toxic substances, even in those parts of the desert that have no access to the water table, is that potentially dangerous materials can still find their way into the eco-system.

A flash flood in winter can wash away particles from a previously dry spot. Water pools in the desert attract insects and amphibians, which are eaten by birds. The birds are then eaten by larger predators, perhaps even man. Toxic substances can also accumulate in plants which are eaten by grazing animals whose milk we drink and whose meat we may eat.

Thus, merely removing all the nation's toxic wastes, even if feasible, to a fenced-off area in the Negev, is not in itself a solution. For one thing, another industrial park is planned for Ramat Bek, five kilometres south of the Ramat Hovav industrial park. The defence industries plan to move their dangerous installations, chemical and otherwise, to the area soon. This could mean increased drainage problems.

Not a patch on Adi

Quilt-maker par excellence
Adi Reisman tells
Addie Dreckler
about the intricacies
of her craft.



ARE YOU one of those people who hold fond memories of Granny and her charming Old World patchwork quilts? Well, Granny may not have made it to Israel, but her quilts have.

"Patchwork by Adi" is the very appropriate name of the home-based enterprise recently launched by 23-year-old Herziya, resident Adi Reisman. With tender loving care, Reisman creates quilts and bedspreads, matching curtains and pillows, mix-n-match throw pillows, wall-hangings, and quaint doo-dads like cloth-covered telephone books to turn every room into a fantasyland of pattern and color.

Reisman's artistic inclinations as well as her training are evident in every item she creates. She studied drafting at the Cleveland Museum of Art, and dabbled a while in

"amateur" interior decorating in suburban Shaker Heights. After coming to Israel six years ago and serving in Nahal, she worked in Tel Aviv as a draftsman. But she missed the chance to put her natural decorative flair to use.

"I have the logical, realistic mind for drafting, but I know there's more to life than math and science," she says.

To satisfy her need for "more," Reisman took a ceramics course in Haifa and began making pottery. Then last summer she was fortunate enough to journey to the Lyth Art Centre, in the northernmost tip of Scotland, where she worked and studied in the company of young artists and craftspeople very much like herself.

"I grew so much," she explains. "Most importantly, I saw young people who were trying to make a

living from their crafts — and succeeding."

The experience inspired Reisman to try to do the same back home. When she returned to Israel, she began searching out materials and sketching designs. In October she started sewing in earnest to prepare stock for her new business.

Many of the fabrics and designs Reisman has selected resemble those cherished by quilt-makers generations ago — green, blue, and brown-based patterns of tiny flowers. She mixes them with varied solid colors and co-ordinated same-color patterns in attractive block or stripe arrangements across the length and width of the quilts.

Other fabrics that she uses, however, are much more contemporary. Reisman has created one room ensemble in pinks and char-

coals in gingham checks, solids, and pinstripes. Another centres on a soft quilted fabric in dreamy swirls of pink, green, and yellow.

A third ensemble consists of a solid blue bedspread splashed with a brightly coloured, striped fabric sailboat, and accented by pillows in the same bright stripe and solid hues. On the wall above is a two-panel hanging of the same striped boats sailing on a deep blue sea.

At first, according to Reisman, she wanted her quilts to be the authentic hand-made type. This proved impractical, however, because of the high prices she'd have to charge to justify her time and effort. So she settles for machine-quilted materials and machine-stitched patch patterns, but makes up for it with her selectivity in choosing the finest quality, most attractive fabrics she can find

— both Israeli-produced and imported. She also uses real Austrian lace.

The results are not only lovely and "livable," they're also affordable. It's possible to buy just the ready-made bedspread (a double-bed size runs about IS\$6,000); or you can create an entire made-to-order room, with or without her expert advice.

In fact, Reisman can design any room in the house. By the end of our first meeting, she'd steered this journalist toward the purchase of beautiful antique chairs for a dining table, for which she then proceeded to sew new seat-cushion covers. On the day she delivered the seats, we "mapped out" major and minor decorative changes for dining-room and living-room, in addition to deciding on a new spread, pillows, and curtains for the bedroom.

From what I hear, I'm in good company: Hava Alberstein was Reisman's first big client, commissioning her to design and produce a complete bedroom ensemble for the singer's daughter.

"I want to see that what people are buying, they're enjoying," says Reisman. "Everything I make has part of me in it; and I can't just pack it up and send it off without a care."

That's a major reason for her refusal to sell her goods to large retail stores like Class, although she's already been approached to do so. By staying "small and independent," Reisman believes she can more easily maintain her own high standards of quality workmanship. She also has the time to ensure that every piece is unique; although the same fabric combination may be used in several different

quilts, no two of them will look the same.

Despite her sense that it's "quite un-Israeli" to pursue her craft rather than a university degree, that is exactly what Reisman intends to do. With full support from the rest of her family — all of whom are deeply involved in their own off-the-beaten-track endeavours — she plans to bring her ideas of beauty and organized asymmetry into Israeli homes. Her dream is to venture into designing and printing her own fabrics one day.

At present, Reisman's advertising is almost non-existent; her public exposure has been limited to displays in a few local bazaars. She relies on word-of-mouth to keep the customers coming. On the other hand, she is quick to say that anyone who's interested can reach her by phone (052-555558).

Families at large

Leah Abramowitz talks to parents about the new law for large households.

A TREMENDOUS controversy has been aroused by the law providing benefits for families with four or more children which was passed several months ago as part of the coalition agreement. Several sections of the law, to be administered and financed by the National Insurance Institute (Bituah Leumi), are still pending.

For eight years, Zehavi — the organization which promotes the rights of *mishtabim be'otzer yotzim* ("families blessed with many children") — has been lobbying vigorously for the law. Most political parties in the Knesset gave their full support to it at one time or another, usually when they were in the opposition.

The first part of the law already implemented readjusts the child al-

lowances which, according to Dr. Eliezer Jaffe, a co-founder of Zehavi and member of its national board, have been whittled down to 40 per cent of their true value in the past six years due to rapid inflation.

"When child allowance payments are made at their real value, thousands of families are lifted above the poverty line. There are clear studies which prove how large families — the country's largest consumers — are heaviest hit with each rise in the index," says Jaffe. Thus, it is essential that the widening gap between Bituah Leumi payments and rising prices in the market be closed by realistic and timely adjustments of child allowances.

The second part of the law, still pending, concerns specific benefits

for large families in taxation, education, housing, electricity, tariffs, cultural activities and transportation. For example, the law suggests that *arvona* (property tax) should not be reckoned, blindly according to the number of square metres or rooms in a house, but rather should take into consideration how many people share the same quarters.

Also, electricity tariffs should be lower for large families who will obviously use their boilers and washing machine more frequently.

Another provision of the law gives large families the opportunity to buy or change basic appliances without paying customs — similar to the arrangement for immigrants — because, as Sarah M., mother of nine, claims, "Aren't we providing the bulk of the country's population growth? This is internal immigration!"

Jaffe says the law will help large families give their children better homes, but even more important, it will raise the status and image of the

multi-children unit.

"With the rapid westernization of our country even among Sephardi families, there are smaller families every decade," he says.

"The law gives more support for pluralization — for the alternative of having more children," he says. Jaffe adds that he believes the law finally states a national preference — that large families are indeed an honour and a benefit to the state.

Will the law influence the demographic picture in Israel and

have an effect on the average Israeli couple?

Avraham S., a businessman and father of eight, doesn't really think people can be encouraged to have more children because of theatre ticket reductions or easier nursery school payments.

"What the law can do is make life a little easier for those people who already have more children," he claims. "And this consideration demonstrates a national policy."

Says Baruch S., a social worker and father of five small sons, "Two out of every three children in Israel come from large families. It makes sense for the state to invest in the future of its resources." However, he agrees with Avraham that a law can't change an individual's deci-

sion to have more or less children.

"Those who would have had large families with or without the law's incentives will go ahead regardless," is his comment.

Sarah M. says that since the law has gone into effect, her family's income from Bituah Leumi is almost IS\$5,000 higher. "But everything else has risen so drastically, I don't even notice it. I sign up two children for day camp and it's gone already."

Most of the parents of large families who were interviewed couldn't envision how the law would effect them financially or socially. They expressed satisfaction that after the long battle, the law had been passed and now most are sitting back — expectantly — to see the results.

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Fibre filled

Lilian Cornfeld focuses on bran in one's diet.

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At one time people avoided eating foods with fibre (roughage or cellulose) in them for fear that it would "scratch" the mucous membranes of their stomachs. But today there is greater awareness of the nutritional importance of fibre in the diet — four to seven grams of it is the recommended daily intake — beyond the fact that it is known as an effective agent in combating constipation.

Of all foods, bran contains the highest concentration of fibre — about nine per cent. But fibre is also contained in the skins or outer coats of grains, seeds and nuts, in pulse foods (beans, peas and lentils), in the stalks and outside leaves of cabbage, egg-plants and cauliflower, and in vegetables such as carrots, corn, spinach, potatoes and onions.

Dark breads, burghul wheat, barley, millet, brown rice and dried fruits, as well as the skins and meat of citrus fruits (but not their juices), are also fibre-rich. The latter contain an element called hemicellulose which helps fight constipation.

For example, an excellent natural laxative — tastier than bran — can be made from the peels of grapefruits or oranges which have been boiled to remove the bitterness, and cut up and added to jam.

The laxative effect of bran which, because of its protein, fat and carbohydrate content does have some calories, is mainly attributable to the fibre in it, but also to its oil and Vitamin D, and the way these interact with bacteria in the intestines.

Bran and other fibre-rich foods soften the stool and increase the bulk in the diet, and give a full and satisfying feeling — which is a real plus for dieters.

The modern practice of refining

flour and then adding vitamins and fibre is no substitute for natural fibre-rich foods.

If you ate sugar cane as they do in Egypt instead of highly refined white sugar, or ate a stalk of celery

containing the amount of fibre in half-a-cup of bran, you would be much better off, nutritionally speaking. Synthetic additions cannot restore the value of what is removed and lost from grains and other foods, in their natural states.

Vitamins C and E, contained in the germ at the base of the wheat grain, if consumed with fibre, will provide most of the protein, minerals and vitamins which have been shown to be effective in protecting the stomach and intestines of animals from cancer.

The danger in the intestines of the refined diet is in the resulting slow movement of the faeces, which gives bacteria time to convert the acids needed to digest food, into potentially poisonous compounds that are kept in contact with mucous membranes for too long. A refined diet may create pouches in the intestinal tract where harmful bacteria can cause disease. The diet also decreases absorption of iron and does prevent growth of valuable intestinal bacteria.

A lack of fibre — when combined with other factors — can lead to cancer of the bowel, gall-bladder disease, diverticulosis, appendicitis, etc.

Outside the gut, fibre can aid in lowering cholesterol and in preventing obesity, heart disease, high-blood pressure, haemorrhoids, varicose veins and phlebitis. An excess of bran can cause flatulence.

A study on adolescents from kibbutzim and towns conducted by the Hebrew University Medical School in conjunction with Ichilov Hospital found that the youth of the kibbutzim had less intestinal disease because they ate more fibrous foods. Another interesting find was that children of families on limited budgets, who eat "standard" diets of bread, salads, vegetables and legumes, had less fat content in their blood.

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Share prices fall sharply

TEL AVIV. — Share prices fell across-the-board yesterday, as investors seemed anxious to capitalize on the paper profits accumulated over the past fortnight. There was no running for the exit doors, but the fact that turn-over continued to be over 150 million indicated that the public is a participant in the current market move.

The General Share Index, commercial banks excepted, was down by 2.48% as for all sectors, except the commercial banks, were on the downside. Industrials were particularly hard hit and fell by 3.76%.

The Volatility Index was a negative 5.3, as 160 securities fell by more than 5%. There were 26 "sellers only" situations. Only four securities were able to post a gain of 5% or more.

The current market drop has been attributed by some observers to the findings of the special report by the International Monetary Fund. The report is highly critical of some of the government's economic policies. Others point to the possibility that the recent upside movement was really "orchestrated" and did not reflect to any real extent a return of the general public to the market. A more optimistic view is that of a leading financial figure who "welcomes the current price

Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

By JOSEPH MORGENTHAU

...as healthier than the gains of two weeks ago, when prices were soaring.

In the index-linked bond market trading picked up noticeably and turn-over was just under IS400 million.

The shekel was devalued by 22 agorot against the dollar. There has been an increase in demand for cash dollars. This is attributable to the beginning of the vacation season as well as to a sprinkling of speculative demand. Attention in the commercial bank group was again on the Maritime Bank shares. The Q.I. shares, after being down by 15% on Sunday, advanced by 5%. The 0.5 shares were not as fortunate and dropped by 8.8%. FIBI was a 2% loser, while the First International Bank traded unchanged. Danot 1.0 was 4.2% lower while the 5.0 shares were 3.3% lower.

Specialized financial institution equities were lower, with the government-controlled Agricultural Bank seeing its shares fall by 10%. Insurance issues were lower near-

ly across-the-board. The big loser was Aryeh, whose shares fell by 12.2%.

The Lighterage and Cold Storage shares in the service and trade group fell by 5%. The Cold Storage 1.0 shares were the only ones traded, as the others were all posted as "sellers only." Cold Bonded 0.1 and Rapac 0.5 were clipped for 10.1% losses.

The losses ranged up to 10% among land development, citrus and real estate shares.

Industrials suffered the worst setback of any group. Alliance continued to advance despite the fact that the company suffers continuing losses. The shares were up by 10%. Elron and Elbit were down by less than 2%. The shares seem to benefit from support tactics. Kadman, which recently reported excellent financial results, saw its 5.0 shares fall by 10%. The Dead Sea Works shares were 5.6% lower. Taro was 15% lower. The Taro-Vit American Over-the-Counter registry shares were split last week and are now trading at \$2.75-\$2.87.

Investment company issues also were down. Clal Israel revealed that it was negotiating with several banks, which hold a substantial number of Israel Chemicals shares, with a view of acquiring a "package." Ampa, which recently had a sharp run-up, saw both its shares and the options registered as "sellers only." Clal Industries was down by 3.1%. Clal Israel did not trade pending clarification of its involvement in a possible purchase of Israel Corporation shares. Piryon was 8.8% lower.

Bank of Israel exchange rates

June 14, 1983	IS
U.S. dollar	45.9089
British sterling	70.8145
German mark	17.9728
French franc	5.9670
Dutch guilder	16.0408
Swiss franc	21.5737
Swedish krona	5.9972
Norwegian krone	6.3227
Danish krone	5.0372
Finnish mark	8.2711
Canadian dollar	37.1807
Australian dollar	40.2047
South African rand	42.0411
Belgian franc (10)	8.9938
Austrian schilling (10)	25.4943
Italian lire (1,000)	3.0479
Japanese yen (100)	18.9402
Jordanian dinar	125.79
Lebanese pound	10.75
Egyptian pound	42.6953

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IDB p. 2	3311	520	+1.3
IDB p. 3	3350	42	+0.1
IDB p. 4	2050	-60	-1.9
IDB p. 5	2481	67	+2.7
IDB p. 6	2652	213	+8.0
Union p. 1	4282	16	+0.4
Discount A	4282	89	+1.6
Discount B	3400	25	+0.7
Discount C	486	630	+13.0
Mizrahi p. 1	1357	996	+73.5
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Oren p. 1	499	9	+1.8
Azorim Invest.	332	677	+103.2
Azorim p. 1	341	1,028	+299.7
Azorim p. 2	175	550	+314.3
Azorim p. 3	700	52	+7.4
Azorim p. 4	264	328	+124.2
Azorim p. 5	8233	89	+1.1
Azorim p. 6	7500	20	+0.3
Azorim p. 7	3500	11	+0.3
Azorim p. 8	164	82	+50.0
Azorim p. 9	280	346	+123.6
Azorim p. 10	175	550	+314.3
Azorim p. 11	723	33	+4.6
Azorim p. 12	584	76	+13.0
Azorim p. 13	154	581	+377.3
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Aridor gets failing grade

DOMESTIC criticism of the government's economic policies is often dismissed by the Treasury on the ground that it is uninformed or biased.

This can hardly be said of the harsh staff report of the International Monetary Fund on the state of Israel's economy, which was submitted nearly six weeks ago but has only now been leaked to the press. The IMF team that authored the report had had extensive discussions with Israeli government officials during the first half of March. The report shows the team to be exceedingly well informed, and there is no indication that it bears Israel's government any grudge.

Moreover, the underlying economic philosophy of the IMF team appears to be fundamentally identical with that professed by the Treasury. Yet the report amounts to nothing less than a withering indictment of official Israeli policies, which is all the more impressive because it is couched in strictly technical and extremely cautious language. The Treasury would ignore the report at its peril, for it is certain to guide foreign governments and financial institutions in their estimate of Israel's economic solvency.

The report points out that the Treasury has failed in its effort to achieve a lower rate of inflation, even at the expense of the balance of payments. Over time, it says, "the economy has tended to experience both higher rates of inflation as well as an increasing external deficit." The future outlook, it adds, depends critically on Israel's ability to improve its balance of payments situation. But the IMF team would not take the Treasury's projections at face value.

According to the Treasury, Israel's trade deficit is to decline from \$4.9 billion in 1982 to \$4.6 billion in 1983 and to be at about this level in 1986.

The IMF team believes these projections to be "ambitious" — meaning, unrealistic — particularly with regard to the expected recovery of exports. On the basis of a "more cautious reading" of present trends and policies — notably the slow devaluation of the shekel — the team foresees a widening of the external deficit on goods and services to \$5.3 billion in 1983, which could exceed \$6 billion in 1986.

What then is to be done? "It is imperative," the report suggests, "that the present declining trend in export competitiveness be reversed. To the extent that the accelerated depreciation of the exchange rate is necessary for this purpose, some temporary increase in the inflation rate must be accepted."

Besides the deceleration (or slowdown) of the depreciation (or devaluation) of the shekel, the report holds the loss of competitiveness to be due also to rising labour costs. On this point there seems, rather surprisingly, to be a degree of agreement between the IMF team and the Treasury. The surprise stems from the fact that, when he speaks to Israeli audiences, Finance Minister Yoram Aridor has regularly pledged to keep real wages from falling. But in discussions with the IMF team the Treasury apparently indicated that a 4 per cent reduction in real wages was necessary.

That, however, would not be sufficient, the report says: non-wage costs, such as taxes, must also be reduced. The trouble is that government expenditures, not all defence-related, have been on the increase. In response, revenues have had to be raised. The better method, the report proposes, would be to cut expenditures.

Like other remedies broached in the report, this one is hardly novel, let alone revolutionary. So far, however, Mr. Aridor's answer to criticisms of his "proper economics" has been that he would stay the course to ultimate success.

But there may also be a measure of consolation in the report. For Mr. Aridor assured the IMF staff team he "will not hesitate to change course... if the perceived benefits (of his policies) did not accrue quickly." In other words, we can now wait to see what Mr. Aridor meant by "quickly."

POSTSCRIPTS

PS THE IRISH government is asking crooks to pay tax on ill-gotten gains. Anyone found making a profit from unlawful activities will be taxed on their miscellaneous income, said a finance bill presented to the Irish Republic's parliament recently.

Said Finance Minister Alan Dukes: "We find people have made large amounts of money unlawfully. When we get hold of these people, we will make them pay tax on the income they have, just like anyone else."

"We have no particular sector in mind. We will have to get as many of these people as we can."

PS HELPING HANDS. — Jewish primary schools in Durban, South Africa recently inaugurated a Jewish National Fund Youth Fundraising Campaign by asking each child to buy a tree (or trees) for R1 (US\$2) each.

Ralph Hadani, recently appointed Keren Hayesod representative in Durban, was asked to visit a school to meet the children and to present them with JNF tree certificates.

On visiting the school he found that a large proportion of the children attending were non-Jewish.

Half of these were black, Indian or coloured, but this did not prevent them from wearing kippot, from singing Shabbat songs and from greeting the guest of honour in Hebrew.

He felt that the days of the Messiah were approaching when some young lads, named Mohammed, Hassan and Ali, proudly accepted their tree-planting certificates and promptly donated yet more coins into the JNF box.

PS WHEN the Irish Women's field-hockey team plays a number of exhibition matches in Pakistan later this month, it will be for female eyes only.

The Pakistan Sports Board and the Pakistan Hockey Federation have assured the martial-law government of Gen. Zia ul-Haq that matches played between Pakistani and Irish girls will not be witnessed by male fans.

A federation spokesman said the Irish team was asked to come to Pakistan only under that condition. Last year, the government did not let the Pakistani girls travel to Tokyo to participate in field-hockey tournaments on the grounds that it was "un-Islamic" for Moslem women to expose their bodies to men during the matches.

THATCHER'S CHALLENGE

By DAVID KRIVINE

MARGARET THATCHER's second electoral victory should set the wheels of Britain's lethargic business community in motion. The whole world looks on expectantly: there is a theory here being tested.

Thatcher believes with absolute faith in the dynamic of private enterprise. Britain has been in crisis for a long time. The remedy lies, as she sees it, with the industrialists and financiers. This is their opportunity, their challenge — and, it should be added, their last chance.

The Conservatives' new term of office expires in five years' time. If by then Britain is still saddled with a no-growth economy and high unemployment, Labour will be able to say I told you so. The socialist theory will look bright for a change; it will be given a try.

And the Tories will be slung out of power for a generation.

THE REASON FOR the debility that has overtaken Britain's entrepreneurs is, according to Thatcher, government intervention. A succession of major obstacles were put in their way, making life impossible. Her job since she won office in 1979 has been to remove those obstacles.

It is not easy and takes time. Britain is endowed with a powerful trade union movement which keeps making demands. The employers should have resisted these demands, at least in part, in order to stay in business. Never mind, they did not have to do any resisting. Pre-Thatcher governments made sure they could stay in business, even if they yielded.

By yielding, industrial companies became top-heavy, non-competitive and gradually lost their hold on the

export market. It did not matter, the administration saw to it that demand boomed at home. Britain's foreign trade lapsed into chronic deficit.

That was alarming, the country began to run out of foreign exchange. The currency had to be (repeatedly) devalued. For a devaluation to work, economies must be made. But, again, economies were not made; so inflation took hold.

ALL THESE shortcomings, Thatcher decided, have to be overcome. The problem is not confined to Britain. It exists in other countries, even in the U.S. President Ronald Reagan should take the lead in eliminating government interventionism. After all, he holds the same ultra-conservative views as the British prime minister. Unfortunately (despite the pleas of foreign leaders at Williamsburg), he can't do it because he cherishes another theory, this time in the field of foreign policy: that America must possess more arms than Russia.

Arms are an expensive business, they force the U.S. Treasury into deficit budgeting. Government over-spending is another form of government intervention, causing the same loss of equilibrium. Thatcher has greater freedom to act, so all eyes are focused on her. And she has acted. She has cut expenditure, she has stopped bolstering purchasing-power in the domestic market. (She was helped in this by the international recession). Business companies reduced

the scale of their activities. Factories had to modernize or die. Some died. Others slashed their staff by a quarter, a third and more — yet found themselves able (with new methods and new equipment) to produce just as much as before.

What is the situation of the British economy after four years of Tory rule? Its enterprises are certainly more efficient than previously. The tremendous deficits run up by the steel industry, the ship-building industry, the car industry, the Coal Board, the airlines, are greatly reduced. Inflation has been overcome.

That is good as far as it goes — but it doesn't go far enough. Other tasks are necessary to supplement these achievements. Closing down inefficient old plants is a praiseworthy activity, provided efficient new plants spring into life to replace them.

The shrinking process has to be matched by a process of expansion. Workers shed from one place should be gobbled up by another. The market system is alleged to achieve the double process, both bankrupting the bad and coaxing the good into activity.

So far it has only bankrupted the bad old firms; the good new undertakings are nowhere to be seen. Workers who were released because they were redundant continue to be redundant.

Unless a strong tide of revival takes place, Thatcher's entire cost-cutting exercise will turn out to have done more harm than good. Surplus workers are admittedly no

longer a burden on the factory, but they are still a burden on the country. They go on getting a wage, it is called the dole.

The dole is smaller than what they earned before, but they pocket it for doing nothing. Large payments go out from the exchequer, financing zero production.

Britain's unions have always fought against dismissals. They were wrong to do so when the dismissed men had alternative work offers. But when redundancy means expulsion from the national economy with no further employment in view, that is another matter.

THATCHER HAS NOT lost faith. Where others fall back on protectionist policies or advocate renewed government over-spending, she sticks to her guns. If conditions are completely normalized, she insists, private enterprise will do what is expected of it.

Normalized conditions, according to her definition, mean stable prices, lower labour costs and freedom of management to manage. Now that Thatcher is confirmed in power, she will in all likelihood (aided by her redoubtable Labour Minister, Norman Tebbit) weaken the trade unions so that they are less able to dispute with the employers and challenge their authority.

She will do her best to create the most favourable conditions possible for the businessman. The question is, will the businessman respond?

WILL THE NEXT FIVE years in Britain see a sweeping rise in invest-

ment, an expansion of output, growth of exports? Will new places take on labour? Will employment fall? Will Britain become a hive of activity? Will it recapture the leading position held in the industrial world hundreds of years ago?

Thatcher's Conservative government faces its most arduous test. Conditions are favourable, the world is beginning to recover from its decade-old slump. If Britain ceases, a fillip will be given to liberalistic philosophies the world over.

Governments in all countries find themselves under pressure to restore the old order, to cease interfering with the workings of the economy, to follow Thatcher's example.

If, on the other hand, her experiment fails and the British de-cast off their economic lethargy investment continues to lag, productivity does not improve, the lines of idle workers endlessly long — then the Conservative doctrine that inspires policies will be discredited.

Labour will receive a new lease of life. The Liberals will all be Social Democrats. As for Tories, they will go the way of one-time Whigs and become historical relics.

It is up to the British businessman. He occupies centre stage, eyes are fixed on him. Thatcher gives him the tools, will he do the job? Will he fulfil the role that Helmut Kohl plays for him, or is he — as Francoist Spain scornfully asserts — a duck? The next five years will tell.

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A Jewish obligation

By YOSEF GOELL

Arabs out of the law, and draft-dodging ultra-Orthodox Jews into it.

But Dr. Eldad chose to use that specific case, and my article, as a springboard for an argument justifying discrimination against non-Jews in principle. To use his own words: "At the root of my thinking is the approach that there are matters to which the standards of Western democracy cannot be applied, for we are still in a revolutionary process. In a revolution, all serves the ideal, and Zionism for me is a revolution. Moreover, Zionism cannot be fully compared to other movements of national liberation, for its task has no parallel; to bring back the Jewish people to Eretz Yisrael."

DR. ELAD goes on to argue that that very revolutionary ethos justifies the discrimination that is inherent in the decision to grant the Jews a state in Palestine, in the

terms of the Law of Return and, by inference, in such exercises as the law concerning large families.

I must give Dr. Eldad credit for being consistent. He does not refute my argument that this sort of thinking is exactly what was also behind the brutal anti-Semitism which swept over such countries as Russia, Poland, Germany and Rumania over the past century. Instead he justifies it.

"The ingathering of Jews and their concentration here in Eretz Yisrael is a holy crusade, not only because of what happened in the past, but because of what can happen in the future," he wrote. "The discriminations practised against us in Poland, Rumania, Czarist or Communist Russia, caused the emigration of Jews and aided in the setting up of Israel."

"In my view this is not a tragedy nor would it be if the Arabs would follow in the footsteps of the Jews.

If they feel discriminated against, then I would praise them if they would choose to go to one of 22 Arab countries."

No beating about the bush there. It's simply breathtaking where the exercise of pure (?) revolutionary logic can take you, if it is untempered by less rarified human considerations.

Grabek's Polish anti-Semitism is justified because it served the higher purpose of the Zionist crusade (sic). But then Polish resentment of the economic role of the Jews in newly independent Poland and their deep religious antipathy to Jews in general was not that different from German anti-Semitism. Is that to be legitimized, too, because it, too, however inadvertently, served the crusade of revolutionary Jewish nationalism?

CERTAINLY I AM a Zionist. And certainly I recognize the revolutionary nature of an as-yet not fully realized movement of Jewish national liberation. But Eldad's version of that Zionism is a perversion.

Certainly, various aspects of that Zionism were inherently discriminatory in favour of the Jewish people. Just like in a world of nation-states France discriminates in favour of the French people, the U.S. in favour of the American people, etc. This is the sort of permissible discrimination that is at the basis of such declarative laws as the Law of Return.

It does not follow, however, that discrimination against individuals, on the basis of race, nationality, religion or sex should be legitimized. Nor is such individual discrimination necessary for the realization of the Zionist goal. On the contrary, resorting to such a perverse interpretation can only demean it and the Jewish people.

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READERS' LETTERS

In the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — As a resident of Tochnit Lamed in Tel Aviv, I believe that our Mayor, Shlomo Lahat, should be aware of the general feeling of all residents of the area. I trust that, through your good offices, this will be accomplished.

Tochnit Lamed is still classified as one of the best, select areas of Tel Aviv and, as a consequence, the rates and taxes are calculated accordingly — I believe the highest in the city.

However, the airport, Sde Dov, is still right on our doorstep, despite the fact that promises have been made for many years to have the airfield shifted. A government decision to this effect was taken in the early 1970's. However, aircraft still operate at all hours, even after midnight.

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station (also on our doorstep) now uses cheaper, dirty fuel and its filters are inefficient, or not in use at all. Any casual inspection of the cars in our area would easily show the multitude of yellow stains that eat away the paint and are a result of the fall-out of chemicals from the power station. The cars are not important, but it indicates what must be happening to our lungs from this pollution.

The city architect seems to be determined to make the area into a Levantine Disneyland. All the lampposts have been painted a bright blue; high curved pink cement bricks are now being installed to form the division between the traffic lanes (Heaven only knows at what cost) and, to get it all in harmony, very large stone and plastic

billboards have been put up everywhere for gaudy advertising, which is a public disgrace.

Garbage collection from the homes is regularly carried out, but the streets are seldom, if at all, swept and rubbish lies around in the gutters for weeks on end.

I suggest to the Mayor of Tel Aviv, who bills us patient suffering flat owners for amounts such as \$524,000 per annum for rates and taxes, that he either downgrade the category of this area and thus lower the taxes, or that he institute some changes that will allow the residents of Tochnit Lamed a reasonable standard of quality of living and a fair deal. After all, he cannot expect to have it both ways.

More than anything else, however, I suggest that he at least should find the time to come and talk to us.

Tel Aviv. DAN BARAK

MORE COMPLAINTS ABOUT KOL YISRAEL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — If Kol Yisrael had wanted to dispel their listeners more, they couldn't have done a better job. I have not come across a single person who is satisfied with the altered time and wavelength of English broadcasts. Reception is

poor and in some places impossible. People abroad are just as unhappy. So where is the justification for this major disruption?

We have just stopped trying to listen.

CELIA GOODMAN

Jerusalem.

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